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Note verbale dated 18 March 2009 from the Permanent Mission of Slovakia to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Slovakia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia and, with reference to its note verbale dated 17 February 2009, has the honour to state the following:

The Slovak Republic, as a member State of the European Union, has been taking part in the preparation of the European Union's legal instruments implementing provisions of resolution 1844 (2008) in full. After the adoption of the relevant European Union Council regulation, all legal instruments will be automatically applied to Slovak national legislation. The legal instruments of the European Union will ensure consistent implementation by member States, and they are also necessary for full implementation by Slovakia.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic has brought to the attention of all competent Slovak institutions and authorities the adoption of resolution 1844 (2008), the obligation to fully implement all its respective paragraphs and the obligation to report all registered attempts to violate sanctions introduced by resolution 1844 (2008). All the respective institutions and authorities in Slovakia have carried out the necessary steps to ensure full implementation of the above-mentioned resolution.

Act No. 460/2002 of the National Council of the Slovak Republic, on implementing international sanctions to safeguard international peace and security, ensures the duties and obligations of all authorities in the Slovak Republic.

The implementation of resolution 1844 (2008) in the Slovak Republic is also ensured by the following measures:

(a) Act No. 483/2001 on banks, which lays out to all banks the duty to notify the list of clients under international sanctions. At the same time, all financial institutions participating in the Slovak financial market are obligated to follow all Council regulations and directly freeze all accounts and other financial assets of persons and entities mentioned in the annexes of the resolution;

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(b) Act No. 179/1998, on trading in military equipment, and Act No. 21/2007, laying down conditions for the control of imports, exports and brokering activities relating to goods and technologies subject to international control regimes — Australia Group, Nuclear Suppliers Group;

(c) The wide range of measures introduced into domestic legislation regarding the entry and transit of persons through territory — Act No. 48/2002, on the stay of aliens; Act No. 300/2005, on the penal code of the Slovak Republic; and Act No. 301/2005 on the criminal procedures code, as well as EC regulation No. 562/2006 of the European Parliament and the European Council of 15 March 2006, establishing a community code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code).